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National Operations Update

As of 7:45 a.m., 17 Feb 2022

Emergency Preparedness Secretariat

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MAIN POINTS

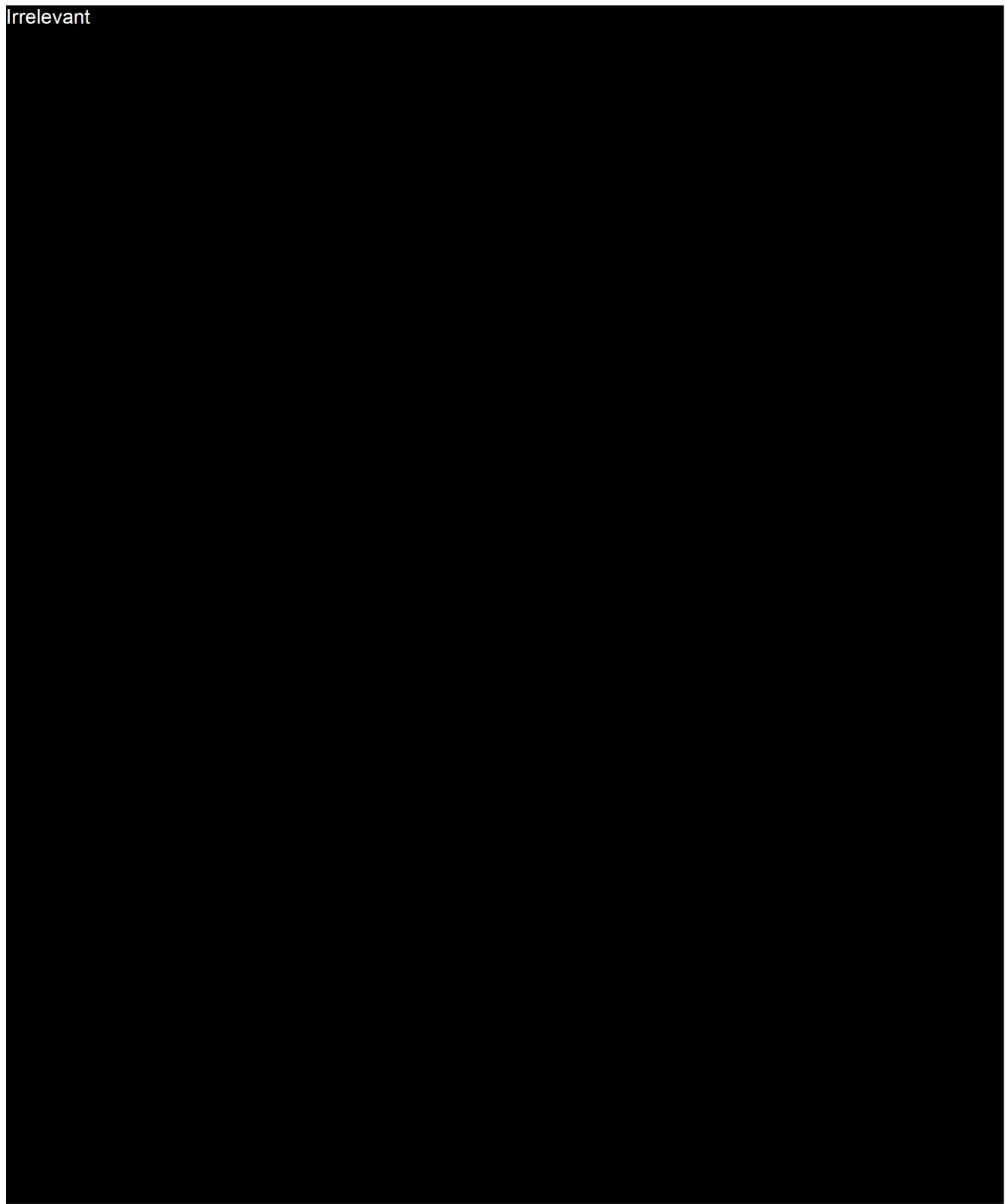
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- Updated: Summary of Canada Unity Convoy 2022 demonstrations

CURRENT OPERATIONS/ISSUES:

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Potential New RFAs being considered

Jurisdiction	RFA	Status

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CANADA UNITY CONVOY 2022 –DEMONSTRATION

Current RFAs:

Jurisdiction	RFA	Status
Alberta	Support (Convoy) – For provision of equipment and personnel to move approximately 70 semi-tractor trailers and approximately 75 personal and recreational vehicles.	Letter to Min PS and Min EP received on 5 Feb. A reply was drafted on 13 Feb for Min EP.
Ontario	Support (Convoy) – For additional 1800 officers to support the ongoing protest in downtown Ottawa: 1000 regular officers, 600 public order officers, 100 investigative officers, 100 civilian staff – including cyber investigative capacity, digital and social media forensics and financial forensics.	Letter from Mayor, Ottawa to Min PS and Min EP received on 7 Feb.
Ontario	Support (Convoy) – For provision of support in the form of personnel (100 officers) and equipment (marked police cars and tow trucks) to deal with the protest at the Ambassador Bridge.	Letter from Mayor, Windsor, to Min Blair received 9 Feb.

- On 14 Feb, the Prime Minister invoked the *Emergencies Act.*, including broadening the scope of anti-money laundering rules and directing banks to cut services.
- The demonstrations continued in Ottawa on **16 Feb**:
 - On 16 Feb, the Ottawa Police Service Board moved to hire Matthew Torigian as interim Police Chief with competition; this process has led to turmoil with the resignation of and possible oust of Board members.
 - On 16 Feb, Ottawa Police handed out notices to protesters warning that they must leave the area immediately.
 - On 16 Feb, media is reporting that other protesters are planning to join the Convoy in Ottawa; Min PS has urged not to do so and has accused extremist groups of helping organizers Ottawa and at border crossings.
 - On 16 Feb, the Children's Aid Society put out a statement urging parents to make alternate care arrangements should they become unable to care for their children following potential police action.
 - A special weather statement (for rain, shifting to freezing rain, then snow) was issued for 16 to 18 Feb.
 - A NOTAM has been issued with an airspace restriction over downtown Ottawa – extended to 28 Feb.
- Other protests were held / are being planned across Canada, in solidarity with those in Ottawa. Areas impacted include:
 - Emerson, MB (POE)

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- On 17 Feb, the POE is confirmed open to commercial and traveller traffic.
- Coutts, AB (POE):
 - On 17 Feb, the POE is confirmed open to commercial and traveller traffic.
 - Coutts occupiers have allegedly discussed blocking airport cargo terminals.
- Lacolle, QC (POE)
 - Social media reports that Freedom Canada Convoy has encouraged a demonstration at the Lacolle POE next Saturday, 19 Feb; **Sûreté du Québec is stationed at the border crossing.**
- Quebec City:
 - On 16 Feb, reports of possible convoy headed to Quebec City has put the Mayor and police authorities on high alert.
- Windsor, ON (POE)
 - On 16 Feb, Police intercepted a truck convoy headed from Ottawa to Windsor.
- On 13 Feb, a GiveSendGo data leak revealed that the majority of funds collected through the crowdfunding site came from foreign donors, including the U.S., U.K, and Australia.

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